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MUST HAVE ERSITY

Prof. F. G. Jone Why the University is atum

COLLIN COUN LS ALL

In Wealth, Agricurd Horticultural Thri Inence of Highest (er ie

McKinney an Colbunty have a well earn repn for agricultural ar hotural thrift, together th aiable good name for pgress in the raising of igh live stock. The wth et on account of the nat and social condition has n this county perhaps te first in Texas for the usend pe of farm implement of lonstruction. It has sult the highest average comind beauty in our ountry ity homes that the sta can

This wealth his cau he presence within or boun of perhaps the highst ave of intelligence to b foun hy county in the stat. Let ger travel over th county tend the popular ssemble would like to compare our e in appearance wit those te class elsewhere.

This same weath has ges the largest numbr of ag students away at he colles universities whih any county can show.

Yes with all our deest farms, scientificlly cul our fine orchards, orderlyt farms, progressive farm business men, beautiful o ambitious young people ar distributed wealth, the gre prosperous county of Cn without a single frst class ll or university. Our wea h made us admiraby conse tiv but have we kept pace ed cation with the nation, sta ar section in which we live Do let us turn our eyes upon ou neighboring counties and tie If they have not built firs las colleges, they have, at leasca ried their provisions for thub lic schools further than we

The proper educational a for McKinney, as viewed by ow who has given the subject clo attention, is to lease Hawrne College for a High School, aid of our public schools, a to make a real sacrifice to sec the Presbyterian College. Witlese improvements in our educinal advantages, bad crops may me, rival towns may bestir themves and panics may sweep ov the nation, but McKinney wilontinue to draw the best cl of people to herself and will rthe financial storms in safety. Ier fame will travel far, and heons and daughters will go for to conquer the business and he thought of the world.

FRANKLIN G. Jo:

Elk Lodge Officers Elect

A meeting of the charter n-bers of the new Elk Lodge, ch is being organized here, was ld at Harmonie Hall night of 1

M. H. Garnett was called he chair and Martin Gerrish ed secretary.

The following officers e elected:

Fred Burnitt, Exalted Ru
W. H. Sims, Esteemed Leg Knight.
Oscar Smith, Esteemed Ll Knight.
Judge M. G. Abernathy, - teemed Lecturing Knight.
Martin Gerrish, Secretary
Jesse Shain, Treasurer.
Jim Thomas, Tiler.

Trustees were elected as lows: W. B. Newsome, term; W. S. Terrell, second R. Abernathy, third; L. A. S fourth; W. Avery Dowell,

The name of the lodge wi decided on at a meeting of trustees to be held next week

Miss Grace Henderson, of Alstyne, was in the city Fr visiting and shopping.

M. T. BATTLE KILLS HIMSELF

The Terrible Act Was Committed This Morning

BOUGHT PISTOL IN DALLAS

Had Been a Merchant and Honored Citizen of Farmersville for Over Twenty Years

M. T. Battle, of Farmersville, committed suicide Thursday by shooting himself in the head with a 38 calibre pistol. The shot was fired about 7 o'clock and he lived until nine o'clock but was never conscious.

The ball entered the head just behind the right ear and ranged downward.

Mr. Battle had been in a despondent mood for some time and his family had kept watch over him and had searched his room and clothes for means of self destruction. He went to Dallas yesterday, returning home last night.

It is supposed he bought the pistol there and hid it in the barn until this morning.

The cause for the rash act is supposed to be the gloomy outlook for the business future.

Mr. Battle had been engaged in the saddle, harness and hardware business in Farmersville for twenty years and no man stood higher, or had more friends than he. He lived in McKinney several years between 1875-1880, being in the employ of I. D. Newsome. He had many friends here. He leaves a wife and five children. His oldest daughter was married about three years ago to James Pendleton of Farmersville.

Mr. Battle was about fifty-two years of age. He was buried Friday morning at 11 o'clock in the Odd Fellows cemetery.

The news of his terrible ending was received by friends here with great shock and sorrow.

A SAD MESSAGE

Mrs. S. L. Rieves' Mother Critically Ill at Grenada, Miss.

Rev. and Mrs. S. L. Rieves left is morning for Grenada, Miss., answer to a message received ednesday, stating that Mrs eves' mother was critically ill d not expected to live.

The public in general sympaze with them in their sudden news.

LATER--A telegram was receivtelling she was dying.

Burglaries at Blue Ridge.

. A. Harte, druggist of Blue Rge, was in the city Friday and ormed us that his prosperous lit village had lately been visitedy some lightfingered party or paies whose apprehension had nobeen effected.

uesday night the stores of J. W. St Clair, and J. C. Conner wei both entered through windov. The cash drawer of the forer was relieved of its contentto the amount of $3 or $4. Mr. Conner's loss so far as he can discver included a watch, some ringand other jewelry.

Secial Meeting a Success.

Th special meeting of the Knigts of Pythias Lodge, held Frida night, was well attended full o interest. The train on which Graad Chancellor J. D. Bonne of Tyler arrrived was delayed ntil just before 10 o'clock, but a pyal welcome was given him. Several visitors from adjoining towns swelled the crowd. After delivering the unwritten work of the order in a highly instructive way, a line of march was formed and all proceeded to the Bon Ton, where a sumptuous banquet was served.

Ross Huffines of Richardson was in the city Thursday attending the K. of P. meeting

THE PRESBYTERIAN UNIVERSITY

SOME REASONS SET FORTH SHOWING HOW EVERY CITIZEN OF COLLIN COUNTY WOULD BE BENEFITTED BY IT

ADDRESS BY COUNTY COMMITTEE

All Citizens Urged to Cooperate With McKinney in Securing Its Location Which Will be Determined Next Month. The Greatest Opportunity Ever Presented to Our People

To the Citizens of Collin County:

Trustees, clothed with the proper authority, have determined to establish a school, to be known as The Texas Presbyterian University, to be located at or near some town in North Texas.

The place will be selected in January 1903.

This institution is chartered on the broadest plan and is not to be a local or State affair, but National in its character and coeducational, where our sons and daughters may obtain a University education side by side.

Its charter requires that a majority of its trustees be business men. They are forbidden to incur a debt or mortgage any of the University property, thus assuring a prudent and successful management of its finances.

It has been fully investigated by our best business men and they are convinced of its success. So deeply have the citizens of McKinney become impressed that many have voluntarily submitted to an assessment of five per cent on the value of their property to secure its location, knowing that not only the town, but all Collin county, will be benefited if this institution is located at or near McKinney.

We appeal to you through this medium and ask your cooperation.

You naturally ask, "How am I to be benefited? And what are the advantages?" These questions are in part answered as follows:

1st The trustees have pledged themselves to raise an endowment of $100,000 before the University is opened. This will be increased to $2,000,000 as rapidly as possible, and will be so much capital brought into our county, the interest of which will be spent in our midst in educating our children.

2nd This will be a special advantage to those in moderate circumstances who are not able to send their children to a University. They may have all these advantages at their doors and give all their children the benefit of a liberal Christian education.

3rd It will make Collin county a center, if not the most important center of education in the Southwest.

4th It will bring to our city and county students from adjoining counties, states and territories, because of its educational advantages and our healthful and delightful winter climate. Many of these students doubtless will make Texas and Collin county their homes when their education shall have been completed.

5th Farmers who do not desire or are unable to board their children away from home can secure a home near the University and live with their families during school months, as cheaply as they can all live on the farm.

6th The mere existence of this University in Collin county, will of itself draw to our midst the attention of the very best class of immigrants who are coming to Texas for homes.

7th Opportunity always begets desire. Give the boys and girls a chance and they will use it. Many never make an effort to obtain a higher education because they know it is beyond their reach. No parent does his full duty who does not place the opportunity before his children, when he has the power to do so. Better make sacrifices now for the good of your children than to miss so great an opportunity, which can never be recalled.

8th The University must have one hundred acres of ground on which to locate, before opening the school and an agricultural department will be opened so as to afford young men, who are unable to pay, an opportunity to work their way through the school. The advantages of such a department can be seen at a glance and are too far reaching to be detailed in this circular.

9th It has been arranged to have committees visit every part of the county and present the matter to our citizens. You will be asked to make a donation in such amounts and on such terms as you are able to meet.

10th Let us not miss this, one of the greatest opportunities ever offered to the people of Collin county or of Texas. This University is not for a day but for all time. All children, without regard to their church affiliation, may all alike enjoy its benefits.

Respectfully,
J. S. DOWELL,
J. L. GREER,
J. S. HEARD
M. G. ABERNATHY,
W. T. BEVERLY,
J. P. CROUCH,
J. C. RHEA,
L. A. SCOTT,
J. M. PEARSON.

FAIR GROUNDS PARK

Texas State Fair Association Will Open to the City

The directors of the Texas State Fair and Dallas Exposition, in annual session Tuesday, tendered the fair grounds to the city to be used as a park and also maintained as a fair. A committee was appointed to draw up an agreement. Officers for the fair were re-elected as follows: W. H. Gaston, president; J. T. Trezevant, vice president; J. B. Adoue, treasurer; Sidney Smith, secretary and general manager.

Gabe Lucas will represent the Chapman Flouring Mill of Sherman as traveling salesman, having accepted a position with them.

TRIBE WILL BE WIPED OUT

Sac and Fox Indians Dying of Tuberculosis Fast

Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 14.—Dr. Wyman, Government physician at the Sac and Fox Indian Agency in Oklahoma, announces that a large majority of the tribe are afflicted with tuberculosis, scrofula and other incurable diseases, and adds that the tribe will be practically annihilated within a few years.

The latest report says there are but 479 members of this once powerful tribe left.

The new Elk lodge, which is being organized and will occupy Harmonie Club rooms after Jan. 1st, has purchased the club's furnishings.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH

Little Son of J. T. Cave of Near Altoga

DRESS CAUGHT FROM STOVE

Accident Occurred at Five O'clock Friday Evening, Death Came at Twelve at Night

Odell, the little two and a half year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Cave who reside one mile west of Altoga, was burned to death last Friday evening.

The parents were out of the room and the little boy was standing in front of the stove, which was one of the kind that had a large round opening at the bottom. It is supposed the draft in the stove was turned on and the suction drew the child's clothing into the fire.

The parents heard its screams, rushed into the room and found it enveloped in flames, the front part of its clothing being burnt off.

Two physicians were summoned immediately but death was inevitable and they could only, to some extent, alleviate the terrible suffering.

The accident occurred at five o'clock and death came at twelve at night.

The funeral will took place next morning in Orendorff cemetery five miles north of McKinney.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Cave, among them the Democrat, deeply sympathize with them in their great sorrow.

Rev. G. W. Day orders the address of his paper changed from Princeton to Ego, I. T. Rev. Day was pastor of the Princeton circuit, M. E. church, last year but owing to declining health was forced to take the supernumerary relation this year to recuperate.

ELECTED OFFICERS

A. O. U. W. Lodge Elected Officers Last Night

At the meeting of A. O. U. W. Thursday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing term:

Rev. J. O. Miller, P. M.
E. C. Meador, M. W.
John Stanley, Foreman.
A. Bryant, Overseer.
W. T. Campbell, Recorder.
H. V. Lehman, Financier.
J. L. Parker, Receiver.
W. H. Stanberry, Guide.
J. T. Welch, I. W.
R. P. Tucker, O. W.
Dr. W. Todd Largent, Med. Ex.
T. J. Bury, J. W. Moore and H. H. Bullington, trustees.

Bequeathed $7000 to Society.

The Womans Home Mission Society of the M. E. church South is a legatee of the late Mrs. Lindsey Wilson, of Louisville, Ky. Deceased bequeathed $7000 to the Society—$2000 to be used for the Sue Bennett Memorial School of London, Ky., and $5000 for the Parsonage Loan Fund.

Mrs. Wilson was the daughter of a pioneer preacher of the Louisville Conference. Was an invalid for many years. At her death she bequeathed the greater part of her large fortune to Methodist institutions. The Woman's Home Mission Society of this place shares alike in this legacy with the other societies of the South, and we can't but praise this good and noble woman for her beneficence. Invalid, not having the physical strength to help in this great cause, she has given of her means that others might be engaged to work.

May the deed of this noble woman be an inspriration to each of us in our Home Mission work.

J. W. Pafford returned Thursday from Denton county where he had been for several days.

WAR IN SOUTH AMERICA

German And British Cruisers Bombard Venezuelans

FORT FIRED UPON SATURDAY

Puerto Cabello Scene Of Opening Conflict—Feeble Resistance Offered.

Puerto Cabello, Saturday, Dec. 14.—The British Cruiser Charybdis and the German cruiser Vineta bombarded the fortress here at 5 o'clock last evening and quickly silenced it. The bombardment lasted for forty-five minutes. The fortress is composed of Fort Solano and the Castle Liberatador. After the firing ceased the Charybdis sent marines to occupy the castle. The fortress was almost demolished. It is possible only a few persons were injured by the shelling. The commander of Castle Liberatador has been taken a prisoner. The cruisers are still here.

The people of Puerto Cabello can not account for this precipitate action on the part of the allies, which they consider to be proof that Great Britain and Germany intend forcing war upon Venezuela.

The British marines intend to make use of the cannon in Castle Liberatador. No damage was done to the town. The excitement of the people is subsiding.

The Doukhobors

Wide-spread interest and sympathy have been aroused during the last two months by the strange hallucination and pathetic pilgrimage of the Russian Doukhobors of western Canada. For a time these peculiar people made wonderful progress in the new land to which they were brought when their religious beliefs made residence in Russia no longer tolerable; but lately ideas have spread among them which in all breadth of view and all charity must be regarded as fanatical.

Having long refrained from eating meat because it involved the shedding of blood, they next turned their cattle loose because they considered it wrong for man to enslave the lower animals. Then they discarded woolen clothing for cotton and linen, and leather shoes for foot-wear made of rubber or binder twine.

At last, in the late fall, when the weather was already severe, they began their "pilgrimage"—a march "to look for Jesus," as they expressed it. When some had perished and others gone insane, when husbands and mothers had deserted their families, the strong arm of the law reached out and led them gently back to their homes.

The incident has been a strange, pathetic and impressive thing. Not even the most cynical can doubt the sincerity of the Doukhobors, nor the most suspicious allege any but pure and holy motives for their acts. Yet the heart of mankind in the aggregate understands that they are wrong, and while it pities, restrains them.

It may not be possible to draw with absolute justice the line between sane belief and fanaticism, but it must never be forgotten that Christ allayed rather than caused suffering, and blessed and cherished the human affections.—Youth's Companion.

Jamas A. Waters has bought out the agency of Dock Turner, who was conducting a shoe store in his building east of Jim Wiley's grocery for the Herald Shoe Co. Mr. Waters will conduct the business at the same stand, and is too well known to need any introduction to the people of McKinney and Collin county, having been employed in the clothing department of the J. D. Stiff Dry Goods Co. and their predecessors for more than fifteen years. We wish him great success.

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This Christmas may be short on presents but this shortage can be made up on what is still better—hospitality and good cheer.

The prohibition election held in Precinct No. 1, King County, on the 9th of December, went dry by a large majority.

An exchange publishes the following football yell that tells its own story: Well man, sick man, dead man—stiff; Dig 'em up, cut 'em up, what's the dif? Humorous, tumerous, blood and gore, Syracuse Medicos 1904.

R. M. Snyder, a Kansas City millionaire, was sentenced for five years in the Missouri penitentiary on the charge of using money to secure a tranction franchise. He appealed his case.

Next Friday Wm. J. Bryan will be the guest of Hon. E. M. House of Austin. Mr. Bryan will spend the holidays in Mexico and will study the silver question while there.

Mayor Bookwalter, County Commissioner John McGregor, Sheriff elect Cyrus Clark and five other prominent men of Indianapolis were caught playing poker at the home of W. A. Bogardus of that city. The chief of police "squared" with them.

In view of the fact that Congressman Littlefield's anti trust bill will force all corporations capitalized at $500,000 and over to make public reports and have their income taxed, some of our friends are anxious about its affect on us.

The Venezuelan war is attracting world wide attention. The Monroe doctrine is being discussed vigorously in connection with the affair. Uncle Sam is receiving much advice on the subject. The people of Caracas will probably ask President Castro to resign.

God gave us the birds, not only to look at, to listen to when they sing, but because they have a work to perform for man. They eat insects which are destructive to our crops and our well being. The boll weevil may be a curse sent upon Texas for having killed the birds. Laws should be enacted to protect the birds for other than humane reasons.—Sherman Democrat.

Some of our business men who do not believe in killing or injuring their horses, are either refusing to deliver goods sold over their counters, or requiring the buyer to take them home himself. One delivery man has placed his horse in the stable and is delivering goods himself. Men as getting their hearts educated and have kindly feeling for the dumb creatures. Remember to be kind to your horse during muddy weather.—Sherman Democrat.

It is probable that the oldest magistrate in active service in the United States is Thomas Poe, justice of the peace in Rushville Ind., who is now in his ninety-third years. He has held the office since 1854 and for the last forty years has occupied the same room.. At the last election he was chosen to serve another term of four years. Collin county also has a veteran magistrate in Esq. Jesse Coffey of the Melissa precinct. He has held the position many years but we do not know just how long.

WINTER WHEAT.

The United States Department issued the following statement concerning winter wheat, dated Dec 10th:

"Winter wheat, acreage compared with last fall 105.1 per cent. Condition, 99.7 per cent. Last year same date, condition was 86.7 per cent. Average condition, same date for nine years 91.4 per cent.

IN DOUBT.

It's most too warm to have a fire.
And most too cool without.
And so we sit and sneeze and sneeze
And catch cold while in doubt.

FROM OVER THE COUNTY.

WESTON

Weston, Dec. 16, 1902.—Profs Jackson and Culwell's school is progressing nicely and a large attendance for such bad weather.

John S. Young one of Weston's best citizens left last Wednesday for the West where he will locate. Mr. Young's many friends here regret very much to lose him as he has been here several years. We all wish for him and family success and happiness in his new home.

Will Foster's family who have all been very sick with fever are improving nicely.

Alex Robertson, Edd Foster and Milton Hamilton have returned from the West where they have been on a two week's prospecting tour.

Myrtle Maxwell has the slow fever.

Misses Dessa and Myrtle Young are visiting their many friends here in town for the last time as they will leave for their home in the West in three weeks. Their father has gone through in a wagon.

Kirby Styles left Wednesday for Kentucky where he will spend Christmas with home folks.

Ira Lee and wife have removed to Weston.

There were several smoke houses supplied with fresh pork last week on the account of cold weather.

Oscar Culwell wife and little baby Jewel left this morning for Rowe, Donley Co.. to visit Mrs Culwell's mother Mrs Silas Adamson.

Jim Helms and family of Pilot Point are visiting home folks here at Weston.

Death has again visited our town and taken to the better world Wm McBride. He suffered untold agony for 16 years with rheumatism. He leaves 7 children—two of whom are away; one in Denton at school and one residing in the I. T.

Door Facing.

VERONA

Verona, December 16.—Tom Young of Georgia is here on a visit to his uncle W. O. Carey and family.

James Watson has sold his farm to Will Warner. Mr. Watson will live on it another year.

Joe Woolbright has sold his place to C. Touchstone.

Will Stewart has recovered from a severe spell of sickness.

Alvin Curtis of Climax and J L Wilbanks of Blue Ridge were in Verona last week.

Tom Dotson and family have returned to Arkansas after several week's stay here.

Henry Carter of Smith county is visiting relatives in Collin.

Mr. Sidwell of Wylie was in Verona one business Tuesday.

Mrs France will move near Greenville to make her future home with her daughter Mrs Patton.

Mr Herrell and wife have been with their son James since the muddy roads.

Mr and Mrs John McCormic have moved to McKinney.

E E McMurray was in the county metropolis last week. Says he doesn't like the idea of bringing groceries over the rough roads on horse back.

Several of our farmers are looking blue over the dreary weather and rumor says there are several farms for sale in our community.

The wasps came near interfering with the Choral Society Friday night as they alighted from the stove pipe on discovering that the heater contained fire. Misses Ida King and Nettye Stroupe can relate some of their sad experience with the unwelcome intruders. Our Choir is on a boom. Now a lesson is given each Friday night on a black board by some member of the society. Miss Lizzie Burton discharged her duty at the "wall" last meeting and W. D. Samples will give the next lesson.

Eva.

The United States is pursuing some practical work in her recently acquired territory. In Porto Rico she has built as many highways and good roads in four years as Spain did in four centuries. In Cuba a great wave of cleanliness has been felt—as many as 16,000 houses were cleaned in one month and the sewer system given equal attention—can you wonder then that yellow fever and smallpox have been almost stamped out? In Porto Rico the United States built in one year thirty-two school houses. Spain did not build one in four hundred years.

LOOK HERE

Two More Weeks Until January 1st.

We must have money ou of our remaining stock.

PRICE NO CONSIDERATION

Everything in our store must be sold by January 1st. Since the sale commenced we know that many have been kept away on account of the extreme bad weather; still there are four more weeks which afford you the opportunity to attend the "Gratest Genuine Sale" ever offered to the trading people of McKinney and Collin County. - - - - - - - -

Come on Wagons Come on Trains
Come On Horseback Come on Foot

Come! Come! Come!

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YERKES IN NEW YORK.

Tells the Difference Between Tunneling for Railroads.

New York, Dec. 11.—Charles L. Yerkes, who has arrived from Europe to spend the holidays, said in an interview, that it was much easier digging his London tunnels than it was the subway in New York, as the ground through which he had to go was blue clay, which cut like cheese, while there were two difficulties to be overcome in the construction of the tunnel in New York which he did not have to consider. They were the flint rock and the foundations of the high buildings.

"I have used no dynamite," he continued. "It is only a case of going ahead. There should be nothing but fireproof cars used on underground roads."

In regard to the labor unions of the United States and England, he said:

"The unions have not reached the same perfection in England that they have here. Here the unions aim to raise the standard of labor to that of the best workman. In England the best is leveled down to the worst. The result is that the mechanic is discouraged. That accounts, in part, for the success of the American invasion. I believe that every mechanic should fit himself to become a capitalist. He may never become one, but he should be ready to take advantage of opportunities.

"I believe in labor organizations. I believe that labor has as much right to organize as capital. I do not believe in trusts as they are now organized, and I believe that it will eventually come to pass that capital will be glad to co-operate with labor.

S. A. Jones wife and daughter, of Oden, Ark., arrived a day or two ago on a visit to their son and brother, J. B. Jones, near Allen and will probably make Texas their home. Both father and son are readers and valued friends of our weekly.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Thompson and little daughter, Francis, returned Sunday night from a two weeks trip to Abilene and San Antonio.

A Neglected American Epic

And the Alamo! There is a trumpet call in the word; and only the look of it on the printed page is a flash of fire. But the very histories slight the deed, and to many an American, born under the same flag that the Mexican rifles shot to ribbons on that splendid day, the word is meaningless. Yet Thermopylae was less glorious, and in comparison with that siege the investment of Troy was mere wanton riot. At the very least the Texans in that battered adobe church fought for the honor of their country, not for loot or the possession of the person of an adultress. Young men are taught to consider the Iliad, with its butcheries, its glorification of inordinate selfishness and vanity, as a classic. Achilles, murderer, egotist, ruffian and liar, is a hero. But the name of Bowie, the name of the man who gave his life to his flag at the Alamo, is perpetuated only in the designation of a knife. Crockett is the hero only of a "funny story" about a sagacious coon; while Travis, the boy commander, who did what Gordon with an empire back of him failed to do, is quietly and definitely ignored. He died in defense of an ideal, an epic hero, a legendary figure, formidable, sad. He died facing down injustice, dishonesty and crime; died "in his boots:" and the same world that has glorified Achilles and forgotten Travis finds none so poor to do him reverence.—Late Frank Norris in the World's Work.

L. W. Mason, state agent for the Herald Shoe Co. who has been here for several days invoicing the stock and checking up the books of Dock Turner, their agent here, who sold out to J. A. Waters, left Tuesday. Mr. Turner's business was found to be in first class shape.

Addison Brown left Tuesday for Dallas where he will engage in business for himself. He has been in the employ of White & Price since they began business here, and has made many friends We wish him well.

Bud Hatler and lady, of Melissa, were in city Tuesday. They contemplate moving to McKinney in the near future.

$1,000,000 FOR PROHIBITION

Lake Shore Will Double Its Projected Expenditure.

Cleveland, Ohio.—The Lake Shore Railroad has indirectly taken a hand in the fight for prohibition of the liquor trafic in a suburban village of Collinwood, which is being conducted by the Anti-Saloon League on a local option basis.

The election is to be held next Thursday. The Lake Shore road has given the residents to understand that if the town goes "dry" it will double the sum it had decided to expend upon its new shops in Collinwood, making the total $2,000,000.

It is also said that if the town goes "dry" a big allotment and will be purchased and that the lots will be sold at cost to the employes of the Lake Shore company.

"The additional expendite of $1,000,000 in Collinwood will not be made if the town votes et," said W. H. Marshall, Superintendent of the Lake Shore road. "Under the conditions which exist in the town we cannot get the sort of skilled help we want. Men do not remain long if they do come."

The local option fight in Collinwood is the second that has been conducted by the Ati-Saloon League in the suburbs of Cleveland. Only a week go the village of Lakewood voted "dry" by a two-thirds majority The village of East Cleveland is already "dry" and it is the purpose to put all the villages in the prohibition column if possible.

Frank Hibbitts left Tuesday for Dallas where he will meet a committee of seven, appointed by W. M. Chapman, Chairman North Texas Woodmen Park Association, to locate a W. O. W. Park, where the annual picnics and log rollings of the order in the district, composed of Kaufman, Dallas, Rockwall, Delta, Hopkins, Collin and Hunt counties, will be held.

Doc Turner was made happy by the gift of a bucket of fine, fresh country sausage from his friend J. W Vantreese of Whites Grove.

People to Pity

There people to pity wherever we look,
Thich as well as the poor.
For sow stays not in the laborer's cot.
Shisits both laird and boor.
But people I pity most in life
Ahe poor little nerveless souls—
Halfished at birth and sent nto earth
U to be fighting for goals
There third-rate clerks with no chance for a rise,
Athey get all they earn no doubt.
There lacking in will and tread the same mill
Tugh the long years in and out.
There wanting in character, force and brain—
M parts of a great concern,
Buey've hearts that can ache, and silently break
Ve the wheels of the treadmill turn.

Ory stand on the corner with trifles to sell,
nobody stops to buy,
Aney gaze on the mass of people who pass
h a weary and listless eye.
Thall out their wares in a hopeless tone,
ters and brushes and strings
Aheir look seems to say, as you glance that way,
know you don't want these things."

Ahe women without either beauty or brain,
charm, but with hearts of gold,
O pity them so as I see them go
wn pathways lonely and cold.
A can not help thinking there must be a realm
ere things will be evened a bit,
Ahe play rehearsed there with new cast will appear
d these poor souls may yet make a hit.—Ella Wheelcox in the August 'Brown of Boston."

HOLIDAY HEADQUARTERS.

At McKinney this year, as usual, has been established at the old

Reliable J. P. DOWELL Establishment.

Xmas and New Years presents of any kind and suitable for any person, or occasion, can be found here at prices in keeping with any purse from the fattest to the leanest. Don't let this season of mirth, joy and good will go by without remembering loved ones with some token appropriate to the season. Variety, beauty, usefulness, quality and price are all feature in which we excell. No House in McKinney Has as Good or As Large an Assortment of Holiday Goods from which to make a selection. Our buyer visits the Eastern markets regularly and we can guarantee our patrons an as up-to-date line of goods as can be found anywhere in Texas.

...HOLIDAY PRESENTS...

Hand Painted China
Cut Glass, Statuary
Silverware of all descriptions
Fancy Framed Pictures
Leather Rockers
Fancy Rockers
Parlor Cabinets
Music Cabinets

Chiffoniers
Dining Tables
Bed Room Sets
Bric-a-Brac
China
Salad Bowls
Lamps
Electroliers

HARDWARE LINE

Guns
Sporting Goods
Pocket Knives
Fancy Razors
Manicure Sets
Sewing Sets

Don't buy elsewhere until you visit our big store. Remember, the earlier you come, the better assortment you will have to make your selections from. Wishing every reader a merry Yuletide and happy 1903, we remain,

YOURS TO SERVE,

J. P. DOWELL,

---- HARDWARE AND FURNITURE DEALER ----

McKINNEY, - - - - - - TEXAS.

LOCAL NEWS.

Don't fail to see our new line of cloaks. CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

H. C. Mason went to Dallas on business Tuesday morning.

Silk waists at 20 per cent discount at Chandler & Armstrong's.

Mrs. Mate Barnett his returnde from a visit in Whitesboro.

15 $5 dress skirts for $3 90 at Chandler & Armstrong's.

S. H, Houseman, Princeton merchant, was in town Saturday.

15 $7 50 dress skirts for $4 90 at Chandler & Armstrong's.

Mrs. Presley Duncan is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Smith.

Ladies coat suits $5 00 7.50 and $10 CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

A communication from Wetsel was necessarily omitted on account of no signature.

A nice line of children's cloaks 75c $1 and $1.25 at Chandler & Armstrong's.

Mrs. Wms. Warden is in Dallas at the bedside of her daughter, Mrs. J. B. Dodson, who is very sick.

Nice line $2 50 walking skirts at $1 50.
CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

Mrs. S. W. King has been visiting her father J. M. Wilcox and family and has returned to her home in Dallas.

We have all kinds of knit underwear.
CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

Big lot dress goods remnants at half price.
CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Stiff, of Pilot Point, are in the city the guests of relatives. Mr. Stiff will move here in the near future.

We have the clock you want. Its nice, new and cheap
CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

F. N. Anderson who has been visiting E. L. Kerr and family, left Tuesday for his home in Gallatin, Tenn.

All dress goods on sale at 20 per cent discount at. Chandler & Armstrong's.

You can buy your Christmas dress from us at 20 per cent discount. CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

Choice books for Christmas presents at Abbott's.

Miss Velma Scott and guest, Miss May Peters, have re returned from Dallas where they visited friends.

Handsome Christmas presents at Abbott's Store.

Come to McKinney and buy your cloaks from us and get the new style.
CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG

Mrs. Mary Crim, of Ardmore, I. T., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. S. O. Scott, and other McKinney relatives.

Imported figs, dates, raisins, cocoanuts grapes at A. E. Daws.

All our dress goods are new and you can save 20 per cent by buying your Christmas dress from us.
CHANDLER & ARMSTRONG.

Rev. W. P. Cloyd left Tuesday morning for Rockwall to attend the funeral of Miss Jessie Roberts of that place.

Go to Abbott's store on the west side for your Christmas presents.

We are pleased to place the name of W. M. Kerr, one of Vineland's most highly respected and prosperous farm diversifiers, on our subscription list.

California unfermented wine, guaranteed pure fruit juice, at A. E. Daw's. d5 w1

Miss Maggie Furr left on the 1:03 train Tuesday for Dallas to visit Miss Lake Faires and attend the MacDowell recital.

We will have as good and as large an assortment of Christmas fruit and candies, new nuts, etc., as ever. Will give you low prices. Free delivery in city.—A. E. Daw, d5 w1

Rev. M. F. Wheeler returned from Wylie Monday where he preached Sunday. He reports two very satisfactory services.

Presley Duncan has been appointed manager of the Sun Milling Company's plant at Shreveport La. He has been in the employ of the New Century Milling Company at Dallas for quite awhile as book-keeper.

See Abbott for your toy goods.

Juicy apples, sweet oranges, new nuts, fresh candy, from the cheapest to the finest. Prices at the lowest at A. E. Daw's 3 doors west of P. O. d5 w1

On the Wing

Dec. 15.—Jupiter Pluvius has been trying to discipline some of the drought croakers, and now we are in it, but who cares? Both corn and cotton are in the field and until the products of the farm begin to move the husbandman can't meet his obligations, the merchant his bills nor the professional fraternity their notes. But, I repeat, who cares? If a creditor pushes a debtor the latter pushes those owing him and so its a game of hide and seek,

Christmas is coming and the children are expecting great things from Santa Claus but the old fellow may be limited in his holiday distribution of presents this year on account of mud and the number of bridges washed away by the recent floods. His sled will not run very smoothly on our black land roads nor will it cross the streams unbridged.

I have been thinking very seriously of borrowing one of Aunt Lucindy's rainy weather skirts for the last few dayt but some how I'm afraid that I'd be taken for a new woman, and that would be a barrier to matrimony for the modern "she" soon becomes a bachelor and I have a right to know that class never cross the Rubicon.

I missed pulling the meat from the turkey one Thanksgiving, for lack of an invitation, but I hope to be more fortunate on the morn of gladness and cheer when the world raises its voice in praise and song.

A merry Christmas to all the dear readers of the "Old Reliable."

D. W. Limon.

Mule Strayed

One 6 year old black horse mule with slit in ear, measly nose, 15 1-2 hands high, with rope around neck, strayed from Valdasta Dec. 10. I will pay $5.00 reward for recovery of the mule.
PRESTON GREER,
2d 2w Valdasta, Tex.

Real Estate Transfers.

Joe Carver and wife to R F Hawkins 89.6a L B Outlaw sur $4659.20

K M Peterson and wife to D I Howser 40a T C Crabtree survey $1300

H L Graham to J B Stanford —Wm B Williams sur $180

Black Land T S Co to H W Cox lot in town of Celina $100

Mattie A Moore to J E Moore lot in town of Farmersville $800

W S Forman and wife to H F Farrell 8a S Fitzhugh sur $600

R G Love and wife to J T Bell lot in town of Culleoka $300

J E Russell and wife to E M Watkins 33.20a J P Davis survey $2059.50

John D Page and wife to Mamie White lot in McKinney $1 and L & A

J A Lipe and wife to J P Morrow lot 5 Culleoka T D LaPina sur $275

J E Greer and wife to T Q McElroy et al 1040 sq ft T D LaPina sur $26

J P Morrow and wife to R L Young lot 5 Culleoka T D LaPina sur $300

T J Porter and wife to J C Kilgore lot 67 McKinney Mary Standifer sur $200

S K Rhodes and wife to W B Rhodes 98 1-2a W A S Bohanan sur $4000

S E Walker and wife to Jas Forsyth lot in McKinney Wm Davis sur $500

J N Chitty and wife to W A Kuykendall 33 1-4a Benj Clark sur $150

M A Kuykendall to J N Chitty 33 1-4a Benj Clark sur $150

O H Kirkpatric to S E Walker lot in McKinney Wm Davis sur $1850.

H S Foote to Fred Emerson lot in McKinney Wm Davis sur $400.

T B and J W Solomon to B F Grounds 40a Lonson Moore sur $1200.

J J Plott et al to Mary E Williams et al 80a F T Duffan sur $25 and partition.

J J Raney and wife to Ella Lou Raney undivided interest to West 1-2 of blk 61 city of McKinney $425.

L L Wilson and wife et al to W N Bush 25.7a Michael Lee sur $2297.70.

J W Hartley and wife to A J Hartley 30a James Fisher sur $1800.

H D Honaker and wife to Joe Woolbright 35a J C Neil sur $800

L W Bush and wife to C F Scott 41.58a Jonathan Philips sur $2282.50.

S P Barrentine et ux to L M Lindsey 50a W D Thompson sur $1575.

J C Holt and wife to G W Kreymer 1-4a J G Jowett sur $25.

Hester Combs to F E Combs 23a Thos Chambess sur love and affection.

List of Letters.

Remaining in the postoffice at McKinney, Tex., Dec. 18, 1902, which, if unclaimed in two weeks will be sent to the Dead Letter office at Washington, D. C.

LADIES

Campbell Mrs Hautie
Chruer Miss Hester
Davis Mrs Dollie
Duff Mrs Frank
Harrison Miss Mary
Johnson Mrs Bertha
Jones Lizze
McElwain Mrs J W
Pierce Mrs Belle
Potts Mrs Alice
Owns Miss Menie
Robbins Mrs J H
Shopshire Mrs H C
Young Mrs M

GENTLEMEN

Alexander Joe H
Bell M J
Daniel Joseph
EEids Joe
Elliott R S
Gains J C
Johnson J B
Kimble Jessie
Newton Adella M
Polston George
Roberts Han
Smith Charley
Watson F M

Persons call for letters in above list pleast say "Advertised."

H. E. SMITH,
Postmaster.

Pecans Wanted

Hill & Webb will pay the highest market price for your pecans and give you the cash. tf

So Many Christmas Things Are

TO BE FOUND HERE

That You Probably Had Not Thought

AT ACTUAL COST

What you buy here will please the owner, the giver and the receiver. Come and inspect our stock before buying your Christmas Toys.

THE FAIR,

HAMMOND & SNEED.

THE DEMOCRAT

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THURSDAY, DEC. 18, 1902

The bravest man is he who lives in the face of adversity and flings a laugh in her teeth.

An attempt was made to poison the blood hounds belonging to the sheriff of Delta county.

The First National Bank of Nevada is to increase its capital stock from $25,000 to $50,000.

G. B. Mackey of Beaumont has close a contract for the delivery of 200,000 barrels of oil f. o. b. Port Arthur at 60c per barrel.

The government shows winter wheat to be in the best condition that it has been in for the past ten years at this time.

Paris Texas is after a horse-show. A horseman of Kansas City has expressed his willingness toexhibit his string of horses there next spring.

It will be well to preserve your tax receipts as it will be necessary to show that your poll tax has been paid before you can vote, from this time forward.

The Nevada News is making strenuous efforts for the advancement of its town. Let the people join hands with the editor and the improvements will come.

Denton Normal school is now almost half as large as the University of Texas in point of numbers. Superintendent Kendall says there are over 500 in attendance.

The new 8-cent stamp to be placed on sale at the postoffice will have a likeness of Martha Washington on it, the first woman to be honored in this way in our country.

Sunday, Jan, 25, has been designated by congress as the day for the delivery of eulogies of John Sheppard and R. I. DeGrafienreid, the two Texas Representatives who died during the summer.

One hundred and fifty-three national banks were organized in Texas during the year ending Oct. 31st, making twenty more than any other state in the Union. Pennsylvania ranks next with one hundred and thirty-three.

Representative Randell is doing hard work for Red River navigation from Fulton, Ark., to a point north of Denison. Representative Sheppard is working with Mr. Randell for navigation.—Sherman Democrat.

Institutions like the Y. M. C. A. are the moral pillars of a town Can we afford to allow this one knocked out? Remember the start is already made and represents the work of months. Lend it your influence and financial support and others will follow.

Cole Younger's friends believe he will be pardoned when the board of pardons meets in January at St. Paul Since the tragic death of Jim Younger by his own hand, it is believed that sentiment is favorable to absolute pardon.

Get the Most Out of Your Food

You don't and can't if your stomach is weak. A weak stomach does not digest all that is ordinarily taken into it. It gets tired easily, and what it fails to digest is wasted.

Among the signs of a weak stomach are uneasiness after eating, fits of nervous headache, and disagreeable belching.

"I have taken Hood's Sarsaparilla at different times for stomach troubles, and a run down condition of the system, and have been greatly benefited by its use. I would not be without it in my family. I am troubled especially in summer with weak stomach and nausea and find Hood's Sarsaparilla invaluable." E. B. HICKMAN, W. Chester, Pa.

Hood's Sarsaparilla and Pills

Strengthen and tone the stomach and the whole digestive system.

IMPORTANT TRUTHS.

The following important truths are worth thinking about and to prove them, you have only to try them:

"The universe pays every man in his own coin; if you smile, it smiles upon you in return; if you frown, you will be frowned at; if you sing, you will be invited into gay company; if you think, you will be entertained by thinkers; and if you love the world and earnestly seek for the good that is therein, you will be surrounded by loving friends, and nature will pour into your lap the treasures of the earth. Censure, criticise and hate, and you will be censured, criticised and hated by your fellow mem. Every seed brings forth after its kind. Mistrust begets mistrust, jealousy begets jealousy, hatred begets hatred, and confidence begets confidence, kindness begets kindness, love begets love. Resist and you will be resisted. To meet the aggressive assault every entity rise up rigid and impenetrable—while yonder mountain of granite melts and floats away on the bosom of the river of love."

The writer made a pleasant visit to Terrell Thursday. This little city is up-to-date. In addition to its electric lighting, water service and other industrial features, it has one of the coziest prettiest union depots in the country at the junction of the Texas & Pacific and Midland railways. The Insane Asylum is an immense structure, which with its 1300 patients and some 200 employes furnishes quite a large amount of business for the city. We visited the Morning Daily Times-Star and the Evening Daily Transcript offices. We found in both offices a genial lot of proprietors and employees. Both plants are excellent and equipped with electric motor power. The Transcript is operating a lineotype typesetting machine.

Austin County wants a law prohibiting the killing of birds in that county for five years. Representative Glenn says it will be necessary for some citizens to give notice by publication in a newspaper for thirty days that they intend to apply for such a law. People elsewhere who desire a similar law for their counties would do well to take notice of the requirements.—Dallas News.

Collin county too, needs just such a law. For the benefit birds are to the farms alone, they should be protected. Save the birds.

The Bonham News has issued a Christmas number that is a credit to the enterprise of both the paper and its city.

WEDDING BELLS.

Dr. W. T. Dunn and Miss Maud Foy were married Wednesdy night at 8:30 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Foy, corner Ork and Heard streets. Dr. E. E. King performed the ceremony which was witnessed by relatives and a few friends.

The groom is a practicing physician and druggist at Altoga and is one of the most promising young men of the county. He is a son of Rev. Wm. Dunn of Altoga, a well known Baptist divine, who is pastor of the church at Pike and other places.

The bride has a large circle of devoted friends in McKinney and is universally admired for her beautiful christian character. She has been secretary of the Baptist Sunday school for a long while and an active worker in the young peoples' society. She was also a charter member of the W. C. T. U. and one of its most useful workers.

Her bright happy face and ever faithful attendance at all of these gatherings will be missed, but the people of the community to which her young husband takes her as his bride are to be congratulated on the valuable addition to their circles.

They left on the 1:03 train next afternoon for Altoga, going by way of Melissa.

The Democrat throws the time honored slipper after them.

Pocket knives from 10cts to $3 at Smith Bros & Co.

A TEXAS WONDER,

Hall's Great Discovery for Kidney and Bladder Troubles.

One small bottle of Hall's great Discovery cures all kidney and bladder troubles removes gravel, cures diabites, seminal emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women, regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of $1.00, One small bottle is two months' treatment, and will cure any case above mentioned. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, St Douis, Mo., formerly of Texas P. O. Box 629. Office 2931 Olive street. Sold by druggists and Smith Bros., & Co.

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 24, 1901.

Dr. E, W. Hall, St. Louis: Dear Sir—Replying to your inquiry, will say your Texas Wonder, Hall's Great Discovery, has cured me of kidney and bladder trouble, and I can cheerfully recommend it. Yours truly,

OTTO LIMBURGER,
Proprietor Fulton Market,
Residence, 601 Buena Vista street.

Miss Susie Leddy went to Dallas this morning.

Fountain pens from $1 to $6 at Smith Bros & Co.

Stole Orphans Contribution Box

While the choir was practicing at the First Baptist church Friday night a thief entered the church and stole the Orphans' Home contribution box, containing a small amount of money. It was not discovered *until* Saturday when the box was found in one of the city wagon yards.

$100 Reward $100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the regular session of the 28th legislature of the state of Texas, for the enactment of a law for the relief of the heirs of Col. Wm. Fitzhugh, and an appropriation to reimburse and pay to them money which the said Col. William Fitzhugh expended out of his private funds for the use and benefit of the state of Texas while in command of a company of State Rangers. Said money having been expended for the purchase of horses and mules and supplies for said state rangers and during the year 1860.

MRS. MARY J. FITZHUGH.

Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Don't Know it.

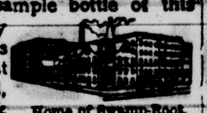
How To Find Out.

Fill a bottle or common glass with your water and let it stand twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates an unhealthy condition of the kidneys; if it stains your linen it is evidence of kidney trouble; too frequent desire to pass it or pain in the back is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

What to Do.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in curing rheumatism, pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passage. It corrects inability to hold water and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effects following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to go often during the day, and to get up many times during the night. The mild and the extraordinary effect of **Swamp-Root** is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists in 50c. and $1. sizes.

You may have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery and a book that tells more about it, both sent absolutely free by mail, address Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. When writing mention reading this generous offer in this paper.



Home of Swamp-Root.

Death of a Child

Norman, the three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Morrow of near Lucas, died Saturday and was buried at Forest Grove Sunday afternoon.

If you feel ill and need a pill
Why not purchase the best?
DeWitt's Early Risers
Are little surprisers,
Take one—they do the rest

W. H. Howell, Houston, Tex., writes—I have used Little Early Riser Pills in my family for constipation, sick headache, etc. To their use I am indebted for the health of my family.—City Drug Store.

Comb and brush sets for Xmas presents at Smith Bros & Co

John Taylor, H. C. Norvell, and Charley Taylor went to Princeton Monday morning where they will do some painting.

It will be good news to the mothers of small children to learn that croup can be prevented. The first sign of croup is hoarseness. A day or two before the attack the child becomes hoarse. This is soon followed by a peculiar rough cough. Give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy freely as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the rough cough appears, and it will dispel all symptoms of croup. In this way all danger and anxiety may be avoided. This remedy is used by many thousands of mothers and has never been known to fail. It is, in fact, the only remedy that can always be depended upon and that is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by City Drug Store.

Cigars from $1 to $15 a box for Xmas presents at Smith Bros & Co.

Kodak developing machines at Smith Bros & Co.

Fine line of ladies pocket books and purses at Smith Bros & Co.

Lee Glenn, a young student of Wylie, spent a few days visiting his uncle W. S. N. Smith and family and returned this morning.

Hunt Bowlby Jr., who has been visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bowlby, returned Monday morning to Bonham where he is telegraph operator for W. H. Bertrand's Cotton and Gin Exchange

Long Hair

"About a year ago my hair was coming out very fast, so I bought a bottle of Ayer's Hair Vigor. It stopped the falling and made my hair grow very rapidly, until now it is 45 inches in length."—Mrs. A. Boydston, Atchison, Kans.

There's another hunger than that of the stomach. Hair hunger, for instance. Hungry hair needs food, needs hair vigor—*Ayer's.* This is why we say that Ayer's Hair Vigor always restores color, and makes the hair grow long and heavy. $1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.

BOOKS

Teach your children to make friends of good books. They will need fewer of the fair weather kind and there is no friend when you have the blues like a jolly book. We keep an elaborate line of Children's Books. If you want something to give the young people, nothing can be more useful and appropriate.

Abbott's Book and Jewelry Store.

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Effective Nov. 15th, connecting at Houston with Sunset Limited and Pacific Coast Express for San Antonio, El Paso, Los Angeles, San Francisco and for New Orleans and the East.

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T. J. Anderson, A. G. P. A.

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HARDWARE, FURNITURE,

Stoves, Cutlery, Glass and Plated Ware, Lamps and Trimmings.

KEEN KUTTER GOODS.

Farming Implements, Carpenter tools. Pumbing a Specialty. Call and see us.

Good Goods, Small Profits.

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McKinney, Texas.

Christmas Games FREE

In each pound package of

Lion Coffee

from now until Christmas will be found a free game, amusing and instructive—50 different kinds.

Get Lion Coffee and a Free Game at Your Grocers.

Barber Trade Wanted.

Richardson & Lewis, tonsorial artists on the North side of the square, McKinney, cater to the country trade. Call and see them They will treat you right. Shave 10c. Hair cuts and baths reasonable.

I have opened my shop the second door north of Joe McKinney. When your watch or clock needs fixing bring or send it to me. All work guaranteed twelve months. I mean that if I can't make my work do what I say it will, that I will pay your money back.

1md tfinw. R. J. BENSON.

LOCAL NEWS.

Glass all sizes City Drug Store.

City Drug Store for glass.

Rockers at cost at Nale's 2d1w

Glass at City Drug Store.

Mrs. W. P. Polly has returned from Greenville.

Folding beds at cost at Nale's 2d1w

M. F. Bray spent Sunday in Sherman.

Perfumery from 25 cts to $5.00 a package at Smith Bros. & Co.

Job lot Wall Papers, 100 rolls for $1.00 at City Drug Store.

Mrs. Mate Barnett has gone on a visit to relatives at Whitesboro.

Carpets and matting at cost at Nale's 2d1w

Rev. M. F. Wheeler went to Plano Thursday morning.

$5.00 Kodaks for $4.25 at Smith Bros. & Co.

$8.00 Kodaks for $6.80 at Smith Bros. & Co.

Buy your furniture at cost at Nale's 2d1w

L. C. Clifton went to Greenville Friday on legal business.

Fine glass ware at cost at Nale's 2d1w

Mrs. T. W. Wiley went to Celina Friday morning.

Fine china at cost at Nale's. 2d1w

Claude Brannon went to Bremond Friday morning.

Fine lamps at actual cost at Nale's 2d1w

J. H. Ferguson made Plano a business trip Thursday.

Fine fancy Holiday China at half price at J. T. Nale's.

Mrs. Ely Morton has returned from a visit to Van Alstyne.

$15.00 Kodaks for 12.75 at Smith Bros. & Co.

$12.00 Kodaks for $10.20 at Smith Bros. & Co.

Mrs. C. E. Morgan has been sick for several days.

Don't forget our Wall Paper sale is still on at City Drug Store

Mr. and Mrs. John Green of Allen were in the city Saturday.

Latest novelties in jewelry at City Drug Store.

Marion Cotner and Oliver McMinn returned to Farmersville Thursday morning.

New styles in Stationery just received at City Drug Store.

Newt Wardlow and John Hartman returned to Farmersville Thursday morning.

$20.00 Kodaks for $17.00 at Smith Bros. & Co.

J. A. Melver, Royse City, route 1, is a new subscriber to our weekly.

Mrs. Edwin Burnitt came up from Dallas last night to visit her son Fred Burnitt, and wife.

Miss Blanch Brown left Friday morning for a visit to her sister Mrs. D.A. Allison in Ft. Worth.

Frank McClenney left Saturday morning for Norfolk, Va., to spend Christmas.

Attorney Eber Merritt went to Plano Saturday on professional business.

Mrs. H. H. Stephens and little son have gone to visit her sister Mrs. W. J. Lucas in Dallas.

S. Newman returned from a business trip to Greenville Friday morning.

Diamonds, jewelry and watches new goods, latest designs at City Drug Store.

Miss Grace Mahar has returned to Van Alstyne after a few days visit here to her cousin, Will A. Boone and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Graves are moving into their new home just completed in west McKinney. Mr. and Mrs. Armp Hill will live with them.

Mrs. W. B. Walden and little daughter Lillian May are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Daniels at Wylie.

IF YOU HAVE PAIN IN YOUR BACK

Do Not be Deceived. You Have Kidney Trouble, and You Do Not Need a Physician to Tell You So.

Pain in the back is an almost infallible sign of kidney disease; a surer sign is the condition of your urine. If you have a pain in the back, then look to the condition of your urine. It is easily done. Take a glass or tumbler and fill it with urine, after it has stood 24 hours; if it has a sediment, if it is milky or cloudy, if it is pale or discolored, stringy or ropy, your kidneys and bladder are in a dangerous condition and need immediate attention, or the consequences may prove fatal. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy is the one medicine that really cures all diseases of the kidneys, liver, bladder and blood, rheumatism, dyspepsia and chronic constipation, and it will take you but a short trial to convince yourself of its wonderful curative power.

G. F. Sammer of No. 409 Tioga street, Syracuse, N. Y., in a recent letter says:

"I was afflicted for years with severe pains in my back and kidneys. I tried many doctors and many medicines, but got no relief. I bought a bottle of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy and it has entirely cured me."

It is for sale by all druggists in the *New 50 Cent Size* and the regular $1.00 size bottles—less than a cent a dose.

Sample bottle—enough for trial, free by mail.

Dr. David Kennedy Corporation, Rondout, N. Y.

Dr. David Kennedy's Cherry Balsam best for Colds, Coughs, Consumption. 25c, 50c, $1.00.

Mrs. Hogue Coffman returned home to Melissa Friday morning after a visit to her brother S. O. Scott and family.

Complete line first class jewelry and watches direct from the factory just received at City Drug Store

You can get anything you need in your house for less money than anywhere else at J. T. Nale's. 2t

See the swell stationery, "Cretonne Bond," Sea Island Fibre, Moire and many other new effects at City Drug Store.

J. D. Blanks returned Thursday from a several days' visit to home-folks at Whitewright, and friends at Sherman.

Window glass all sizes; window glass cut any size; window glass at right prices. At City Drug Store.

Fine Perfumes for the Holidays Elegant packages. See them at City Drug Store.

Take life easy by trading with C. A. Houston. He'll treat you right. Fresh groceries and low prices.

Mrs. Richard W Burrage, of Wichita Falls has arrived for a visit to her father, W. C. Burrus, and family.

People are becoming more and more accustomed to going to C A. Houston's for groceries that are fresh and cheap.

Mrs. Mattie Walker of Cisco is in the city visiting her sister Mrs. J. E. Cooper. She will remain here several weeks.

Wanted—By Hill & Webb 15,000 to 20,000 No. 1 bois d' arc posts. Will pay highest market price.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Spradley and daughter, Miss Clara, of Allen, were in the city Saturday shopping.

W. M. Lewis, State secretary of the Y. M. C. A. who has been here for several days, left Saturday morning for Plano.

L. R. Talkington, of Vineland, renews for our weekly and also subscribes for the Semi-weekly Dallas News at our clubbing rate.

Keep the Bowels active if you would preserve your health. A dose of Prickly Ash Bitters now and then does this to perfection.

Mrs. J. J. Eubank, of Sherman who has been visiting her son-in-law Jesse Shain, returned home Friday evening.

Happiness is but another name for perfect health. Use Prickly Ash Bitters and be happy. It keeps the vital organs healthy and well regulated.

Pictures, Pictures, Pictures, latest novelties in Pictures at City Drug Store.

W. D. Goostree made Farmersville a business trip Monday.

PRICKLY ASH BITTERS

CURES CONSTIPATION.

From Van Alstyne

Van Alstyne, Tex., Dec. 11.—Mayor Joe A. McKinney has appointed the following delegates to the boll weevil convention which meets at Dallas, Dec. 17: J. P. Barron, D. S. Thompson and T. P. Howle.

Stops That Cough and Works Off Cold.

Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets. Cure a cold in one day No cure, no pay. Price 25 cents

Pros Win at Vernon

The prohibition election held at Vernon Saturday, Dec. 6, was very close. The pros won by twenty majority in the county.

Alfalfa Seed

For first-class Alfalfa seed don't neglect to call on T. L. McMullen near the postoffice.

We have received a card from Rev. Paul Kimzey dated Silver City, N. M., Dec. 7th, saying that he has declined very rapidly and would leave that day for home. Rev. Kimzey is well known and loved by Collin county people who will be saddened to know of his condition.

The Best Prescription For Malaria

Chills and Fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form—no cure no pay. Price 50c.

The monument to be erected by the W. O. W. Lodge at the grave of their deceased Sovereign Sam Burks, has been received by the Provence Marble Company and will be ready to be placed in a few weeks.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

You can't do better than to give your grocery trade to Cebe Houston. His stock represents goodness-from the staples which are needed by every family and which are sold at low prices to the fine things which cost according to quality.

Pictures framed in latest style, over 100 styles mould to select from at City Drug Store.

Dr. O. H. Kirkpatrick, W. A. Straughan, and Dr. Woodall of Blue Ridge have gone to San Antonio, where they will spend ten days on a hunting trip.

Lee Young and family went out to Altoga Saturday to attend the funeral of his little nephew, Odell Cave, who was burned to death Friday evening.

Mrs. Edgar Averitt and little daughter Grace, of Claude Armstrong Co., arrived Thursday for a several weeks visit to her father, W. C. Burrus and family.

Rev. John A. Held left Saturday for Nevada to fill his appointment there Sunday. His family accompanied him and they will visit in Greenville before returning home.

Miss Mary Coffey, of Anna, has our thanks for $1.00 for which to send our weekly one year to her sister Mrs. Belle Coffey who lives at Nederland, Jefferson county, Texas.

Fine perfumery in nice packages for Xmas presents at Smith Bros & Co.

D. E. Neathery returned from Farmersville Friday evening where he went to attend the funeral of M. T. Battle, which took place in the morning at 11 o'clock, under the auspices of the I. O. O. F.

Mrs. Joe Cline, of Melissa who has been sick for the past few weeks, passed through the city Thursday en-route to Mineral Wells. She was accompanied to Dallas by her sister Mrs. Rosa Largent of this city.

In a letter received by Mrs. J. D. Armstrong from Mrs. W. B. Hunn, of Shelby, Ky., she states that Dr. Hunn, who accidently shot himself some two months ago, was suffering from septic fever, caused from the wound, having been confined to his bed for ten days.

W. A. Robertson, of Rock Hill was in to see us and renew his subscription to 1904 Mr. Robertson and family will leave the latter part of the week for Claude Armstrong county, to make their future home. That excellent section of the Plains is attracting a great many of Collin's desirable citizens.

Fifty Years the Standard

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

Awarded
Highest Honors World's Fair.
Highest tests U.S. Gov't Chemists

December Teachers' Institute

Program Collin county teachers' institute to be held Saturday Dec. 20th:

1. Shall We Have Friday Afternoon Exercises?—Mrs. A. A. Borum and Mike Watson.

2 Psychology.—F. G. Jones and Ortle Cross,

3. Resolved That Texas Should Have a System of Compulsory Education. Affirmative—M. C. Cunningham, W. L. Yarbrough. Negative—W. J. Lackey, J. E. Smith.

4. The Needs of the Public Schools.—C. E. Farmer and W. W. Shepherd.

5. What Amendments Would We Suggest to the Present Textbook Law?—W. L. Roper, W. H Echols.

We, the committee, suggest the Institute to take up Psychology as a course of study.

Better Than a Plaster

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on the affected parts, is better than a plaster for a lame back and for pains in the side or chest. Pain Balm has no superior as a liniment for the relief of deep seated, muscular and rheumatic pains. For sale by City Drug Store.

$27.50 Kodaks for $23.25 at Smith Bros. & Co.

E. A. Newsome left Saturday for Asheville, N. C., where his son J. D., Fitzhugh Beverly, Gabe Fitzhugh and Jim Dowell are attending Bingham Military School. He was accompanied by Houston Beverly. They will spend Christmas at Asheville and return home by way of Washington D. C. and will also spend a few days at Annapolis with John Dowell at The Military Acadamy.

Fancy boxes of candy from 40 cts up at Smith Bros. & Co.

The young ladies of Harmonie Club are preparing to give a ball complmentary to the young men, on December 31st.

KIDNEY CURE.

There is no disease so insinuating, so slow but sure, as kidney disease, or so wide-spread. The symptoms are so slight as to generally escape notice.

The first indications appear in the urine, with varied effects. The quantity may be increased or decreased; it is likely to be highly colored and scalding; it may be pale or thin, or thick and milky with a sediment. Later on more pronounced symptoms will be present, such as dizziness, bloating, etc., with marked bladder and urinary disorders.

Poisonous waste matter is collected by the blood from all parts of the system and carried to the kidneys, where it is separated and cast out through the urine. The kidneys deal with the blood only, deriving nourishment therefrom. Hence, if the blood is bad the kidneys are not only overworked, but underfed. How necessary is it, therefore, that the purity and vitality of the blood should be maintained. It is plain why the great blood purifier and strengthener—Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic—has been successfully used in treating kidney diseases and in preventing same. In purifying the blood the kidneys are greatly relieved, while, at the same time, new strength and vitality are given these organs. The following letter tells a very old story:

PINE KNOT, KY., June 25, 1902.

The Dr. Harter Medicine Co., Dayton, O.

GENTLEMEN: I had a severe case of typhoid fever six years ago, which left my kidneys in bad order. I have tried a number of remedies and taken treatment from doctors, but Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic has done me more good than everything else. C. CORDELL,

Merchant and Mine Operator.

There are thousands of just such cases as the above that are treated without results because they are wrongly treated. Mr. Cordell's condition resulted from an exhausting fever; the kidneys, as well as the rest of the system, had been wasted by disease. No wonder Dr. Harter's Iron Tonic promptly cured, because it purified and enriched the blood, and such blood carried new strength and vitality directly to the kidneys and to all the organs.

FOR SALE EVERYWHERE.

AT THE COURT.

The jury failed to agree in the case of C. C. Dunworth charged with violating local option law. The case will be tried again at next term of court.

The jury in the case of J. N. Howell, charged with violating local option law, returned a verdict of not guilty.

Sam McKinney plead guilty to gaming and was fined $10 and cost.

The jury in the case of Knox Greer, charged with violating local option law, returned a verdict of guilty and assessed his punishment at $50 fine and twenty days in jail.

The criminal docket was completed Saturday.

This being regular probate day, many orders were made by the court.

The civil docket in county court was taken up Monday The jury for the week are: Ike Griffin, W F Gorman, John Greenwood, C I Howard, L V Haynie, S H Guffee, C W Hellis, E V Hartman, L V Graves, S H Holton.

PROBATE ORDERS

W K Bradford of Farmersville was appointed temporary administrator of the estate of M T Battle, deceased. His bond was set at $10,000.

W W Combs was appointed administrator of the estate of J N Combs, deceased. J H McCullough, Tom Shelburn and J C Andyhub were appointed appraisers.

The will of the late George R Herndon was probated and J R Herndon appointed executor without bond. J S Dowell, J M Taylor and W M Shirley were appointed appraisers to make report within sixty days.

This is the season of the year when the prudent and careful housewife replenishes her supply of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is certain to be needed before the winter is over, and results are much more prompt and satisfactory when it is kept at hand and given as soon as the cold is contracted and before it has become settled in the system. In almost every instance a severe cold may be warded off by taking this remedy freely as soon as the first indication of the cold appears. There is no danger in giving it to children for it contains no harmful substance. It is pleasant to take—both adults and children like it. Buy it and you will get the best. It always cures. For sale by City Drug Store.

Cards of invitation have been issued to the marriage of Miss Annie Bell McWilliams to Mr. James Anon McKey, Monday evening December 22nd, at 6 o'clock, First Presbyterian church.

The kidneys ache when they are overworked and the trouble gets serious unless promptly removed. Prickly Ash Bitters is a reliable kidney tonic and bowel regulator.

Helpful Reading

Some newspapers print matter to fill up space. Much of this is really harmful reading. It is the aim of **The Semi-weekly News** to give helpful reading. Thousands will testify to its helpfulness to them. Ask your neighbor.

The Farmers' Department

has helped many. It is not the theory of farming written by college professors and others up North on conditions that don't fit Texas. It is the actual experiences of farmers here at home who have turned over the soil.

Special Offer

If you are not taking The Democrat you should be. It is helpful to the best interests of your town and county. For $1.75 cash in advance we will mail you The Democrat and The Galveston or Dallas Semi-Weekly News for 12 months. The news stops when your time is out.

Kodol
Dyspepsia Cure
Digests what you eat.

This preparation contains all of the digestants and digests all kinds of food. It gives instant relief and never fails to cure. It allows you to eat all the food you want. The most sensitive stomachs can take it. By its use many thousands of dyspeptics have been cured after everything else failed. Is unequalled for the stomach. Children with weak stomachs thrive on it. First dose relieves. A diet unnecessary.

Cures all stomach troubles

Prepared only by E. C. DeWITT & Co., Chicago
The $1. bottle contains 2½ times the 50c. size

Sold by City Drug Store.

Denton News Clippings.

Mr. Robbins of Collin county moved this week to the residence property he recently purchased of N. W. Kay.

Miss Sue Pendergrass of McKinney is spending the week with friends here.

Jim Kissinger and family have moved to Collin county.
—Sanger, (Denton Co.) Courier.

Wanted!

For the next 15 days we will pay the highest market price ever paid in Texas for Turkeys, Geese and Ducks delivered to the undersigned or his agent, Dallas Sparlin at McKinney, Texas. I also buy old iron and furs.

SAM SOLTZ,
McKinney, Texas.
Office at M. Diamond.

Professional Cards.

H. L. PEARSON
Dental Surgeon.

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Office Phone 198.
McKINNEY, TEXAS.

J. C. N. SMITH,
Dentist.

OFFICE—Northeast corner of the Square,

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AGENTS WANTED
in all parts of Texas or California to sell
The Peerless Steam Cooker
Address, W. A. MEAD,
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Guttering and repairing done
Also manufacturers one of the best Washers on the market for $1.00
Write for circular.
O. LEDDY,
McKinney, Texas.

TAKE THE "S A P"

San Antonio and Aransas Pass and "Sunset Route."

For California, Mexico and Oregon. Free reclining chair cars and a through sleeper from Waco to San Antonio and Mexico City.

Excursion sleepers from Waco to San Francisco each Wednesday and Friday. Rate per berth in these sleepers, about one half of the rate in the standard sleeper.

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R. E. GEORGE,
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A. J. Martin,
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Choice Kansas Corn.

We have a big lot of choice No 2 Kansas shelled corn, free from smut. Red rust proof oats, choice prairie hay and corn chops, choice McAlister fancy screened lump coal, colorado coal, prices reasonable. They also will pay you cash and the highest market price for all the pecans you will bring them. They want 5 car loads of pecans by December 1st 1902.

Ware house and office near M. K. & T. depot. Phone 112.

HILL & WEBB

ATTEMPTED BANK ROBBERY

Three Men Attacked the Alvord Bank. One Killed.

OFFICERS WERE WAITING

The Would-be Robbers Had Lived Near Chico. Bank Was Notified of Intended Robbery

Alvord, Tex., Dec. 15.—Three white men made a daring attempt to hold up the cashier and rob the First National Bank of Alvord about 3 o'clock this afternoon.

One was killed, another desperately wounded and the third is now under arrest.

The bank officials had been notified that an attempt would be made to rob the bank, even the day and the hour the robbers would come being given. The officers were notified and Sheriff Curley of Decatur, Deputy Sheriff Prior of Alvord and Constables Yeary and Dobbs were on hand to receive them.

Some of the officers were posted inside the bank and others across the street, where the approaches could be commanded. All were heavily armed.

Between 3 and 4 o'clock three men, whose names are given as being Frank Martin, John McFall and Claude Golden, rode up to the bank. McFall and Golden dismounted and entered the bank and Martin remained outside to hold the horses.

The story told by those inside the bank is as follows:

McFall and Golden covered the cashier with pistols and demanded that the cash in the vaults be surrendered, not noticing the officers, who were standing to one side of the entrance. The officers instantly covered them with pistols and demanded that they surrender. McFall turned as if to fire on Constable Yeary and was shot through the head. Golden surrendered, throwing up his hands. Hearing the firing inside the bank Martin put spurs to his horse to escape, but was stopped by a load of buckshot from the officers stationed across the street which struck him in the left side. He was instantly killed, also receiving a pistol wound.

McFall is dangerously wounded being shot through the head just below the ears. Golden is under guard and will be taken to Decatur tonight.

It was stated here tonight that the men were from the Chico neighborhood and were well known there.

The bank officials received warning from a man living near Chico, who, it is said, got his information from a small boy and rode across the country hastily to inform them of what was planned.

McFall is still alive, but his condition is very serious.

Suicide of David Brim.

Waxahachie, Tex., Dec. 16.—David Brin, manager of the Brin Dry Goods Company, and prominent in the dry goods business in this city for the last twenty-five years, killed himself here yesterday.

He was at his place of business as usual yesterday morning, and left the store at 12:30 to go home to dinner. After reaching home he went into the parlor and locked the door. A shot was heard and he was found with a bullet from a revolver through his brain

An empty laudanum vial was found in the room, and it is supposed he took the poison before shooting himself. No cause is known for the self-destruction.

The deceased was formerly a citizen of Farmersville.

A Wreck on H. & T. C.

A freight train was wrecked Monday afternoon about 2 o'clock at White Rock bridge two miles south of Richardson. Six cars were ditched, the conductors leg broken, and the brakeman injured.

The Southbound passenger trains last evening were transferred to the Cotton Belt track at Plano and run into Wylie where they were transferred to the Santa Fe track and proceeded to Dallas. The northbound trains were transferred the same way.

...ames Harry White and ...r Cameron went to Dallas ...ay morning.

THE Y. M. C. A. RE-ORGANIZED

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO INTERVIEW THE MEMBERS AND FORMULATE PLANS REPORTED

GREAT WAVE OF ENTHUSIASM

Notwithstanding the Rain and Mud a Fine Crowd Assembled at the First Presbyterian Church, And All Entered Heartily Into the Spirit of the Hour. Splendid Suggestions.

If there were any doubts concerning the perpetuation of the Y. M. C. A. in McKinney, they certainly disappeared at the meeting held at the First Presbyterian church yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

'Though rain had fallen at intervals through the day, and a mist was in the air at the hour of meeting quite a good crowd assembled including a number of ladies.

The program was opened with two inspiring songs, in which the audience heartily joined. Divine invocation was delivered by Dr. E. E. King.

Rev. R. E. Chandler read the 19th chapter of St. Luke, 12 to 26 verse, which was very appropriate to the occasion.

A splendid solo, entitled, "The Home of Angels," was rendered by Mr. Buck.

Rev. W. A. Stuckey, in a fifteen minute address, impressed upon the minds and hearts of all present the importance of continuing the Y. M. C. A. work. His talk was highly appreciated.

J. A. McDurmitt, chairman of the committee to formulate plans for the future work and re-organization of the association, and who presided over the meeting, made some very pointed and interesting remarks in regard to the committee's work.

They spent less than two days time in canvassing the membership, had interviewed over half of the members, and had secured a nice sum in subscriptions to go toward relieving the indebtedness, which can now be met with very little effort. The committee found many members of the association who had never been inside of the association rooms since it was organized! ! One hundred and sixty-three members, not including the children, were reported.

The secretary, Edwin B. Doggett. was then called upon to read the fifteen names suggested by the committee, to be elected as a board of directors. They were read as follows, and unanimously elected:

J. L. Greer,
J. L. White,
T. F. Mangum,
J. P. Crouch,
J. H. Sneed,
John Church,
Byron Bowers,
Edwin B. Doggett,
John A. McDurmitt,
J. W. Largent,
J. C. Erwin,
Titus Keen,
T. W. Lanham,
J. P. Moulden,
R. E. Chapman,

A unanimous vote of thanks was tendered the retiring board for their faithful work in behalf of the Y, M. C. A.

Short talks, in the way of practical suggestions, were then called for.

Prof. Lanham said: "In starting out anew in the Y. M. C. A. work in McKinney, do not let us go into it with a selfish motive. Instead of saying 'how much good can I get out of it,' let us see how much good we can cause some one else to get out of it."

Rev. Chandler spoke along the same line saying that he was afraid many people in McKinney had put the dollar in one side of the scales, and the young man or boy in the other, and because immediate results had not been observed, perhaps by members who did not attend the association to know what was being done, declared the work a failure and his money misspent.

T. F. Mangum urged the members and friends to visit the association rooms often. He stated that many times had he been there and found the rooms filled with young men and boys, but not an older member, except the secretary, present to give them a word of encouragement or proper training. The interest was not lacking on the part of the young people, but the association could not succeed on money alone. Your money, your time, your presence are all required. Go to the rooms, get acquainted with the boys, and know a Y. M. C. A. member whenever you see him.

Rev. Rosser urged that the religious training be not neglected

Dr. King and Eld. Hamlin both emphasized the importance of advertising the Y. M. C. A., in every way possible: by talking, through the papers, and writing. Have the work on your mind, and speak to everybody you meet about it.

Rev. Richardson called attention to the fact that a membership in the Y. M. C. A, would make a valuable Christmas gift, as recommended by the new secretary of the Dallas Association.

Capt. Greer, said, "Let us make the Y. M. C. A. the center of social attraction in McKinney. Let theladies auxiliary take special interest in it, and provide first-class social entertainments at least once a month." Capt. Greer also urged that committees be appointed, especially among the ladies, to search the town for boys who are not able to belong to the Association, invite them to join, and offer them a ticket as an inducement if they will attend at least two evenings in the week. There are many people who would pay the membership fee for such boys if they knew who and where they were.

Other splendid suggestions were made and by the time the meeting closed a great wave of enthusiasm had swept over the entire audience- It was altogether a signal triumph for the Y. M. C. A. of McKinney, which now starts off under a new regime determined to push it on to success. It is a permanent fixture in McKinney.

The new board will meet tonight at the association rooms, for the purpose of organizing. State Secretary W. M. Lewis will be present.

A Delightful Christmas Menu.

Roasted turkey, stuffed with oysters, Cranberry sauce, celery, creamed potatoes, cheese and macaroni, tomatoes, browned sweet potatoes, chicken salad, cream slaw, ambrosia, cake olives, coffee and chocolate.

Let us furnish you with the necessaries for such a dinner.

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1 new up-right piano $113
1 rental up-right piano 125
1 new walnut upright 180
35 upright pianos from $113 to
1 Baby grand piano great reduction.

EIGHT STOCKS IN ONE!

50 new violins, with bow and case, each $3.85.
65 new 38 bracket banjos $3.85.
500 new M. Honer harps, 25c grade each 15c.
20 new 7-rib mandolins, each $2.25.
5 new 21-rib mandolins $5

The Piano Slaughter Sale Still

...Goes on Because I Cant help it...

You may monkey around and fail to get one of these Pianos, but **I cant help it.** They are worth twice the price asked, and I should not let them go so cheap, but **I cant help it.** The weather and roads tell me to quit selling Pianos but **I cant help it.** When I find bargains on like these it's because **I cant help it.** Now I am bowed down with too much goods and must let them go because **I cant help it.** I bought out eight stocks of music goods and had ordered a plenty from the factories before hand, so you see I'm in a fix, but **I cant help it.** A new, well made Mahogany Upright Piano, with 3 pedals and all late improvements. goes for $113, but **I cant help it,** Lot of Kimball, Hamilton and other high grade makes, new and fine as silk. also some second-hand and rental Pianos and all must go 'cause **I cant help it.**

Square pianos $20 to $100 monthly payments.
Second hand organs $15 to $30.
55 new organs at bargains
100 new mahogany guitars each $1.85.

J. T. ...COUCH...

6000 copies late sheet music, job lots 10 copies for $1.00.
20 dozen fine piano and mantle scarfs from $1.85 to $3.90.
1100 Easy Method Instructors with, 100 pages choice music, each 35c.

West Louisiana Street **The Music Man**

REV. PAUL KIMZEY DEAD

The End Came Yesterday Morning at 6 O'clock

JUST RETURNED FROM N. M.

Was Born and Raised Near Copeville. Dr. King Officiated at Funeral Today

Rev. Paul Kimzey died Monday morning at 6 o'clock from tuberculosis at the home of his father J. H. Kimzey, who lives one mile south of Farmersville. He and his sister Miss Banner returned last Thursday from Silver City N. M., where they had been for more than a year, hoping that the climate would benefit his health.

Rev. Kimzey was county missionary for the Baptist churches of Collin county in 1899 and it was during that time that his health failed him. He suffered a complete loss of his voice, but regained it to a certain extent in a year afterward, and was able to do some preaching again. He has been rapidly sinking for some time past.

He was about thirty years of age and was born and raised near Copeville. He was a young preacher of great ability and Collin county never had a more faithful missionary.

It is thought that his great energy and zeal caused him to overexert himself while engaged in the work.

Everybody loved Rev. Paul Kimzey. He served several churches in the county as pastor, when he first began preaching. His death will be universally mourned.

Dr. E. E. King of this city was sent for to conduct the funeral services which took place Tuesday.

Eld. A. L. Clinkenbeard of Melissa is in town today. He will leave in a few days to enter the Chicago University

HALL ACCEPTS SENTENCE

Will Not Appeal His Case to Higher Court

HARD FOUGHT LEGAL BATTLE

Motion for New Trial Was Argued in Sherman Yesterday, But Was Overruled

Gabe Hall, who has been tried five times for assault to murder his wife near Lucas, this county, two years ago, will accept the sentence of three years confinement in the state penitentiary, which was given him in the District court at Sherman recently.

A motion for a new trial was argued before Judge Rice Maxey in that city Monday. The court overruled the motion, and the defendant's attorneys decided not to appeal the case.

Hall will be taken to the penitentiary in a short time.

Thus ends one of the hardest fought legal battles that was ever known in this county. The best of legal talent was secured on both sides. The defendant's attorneys were Jones & Eastham, Garnett, Smith & Merritt and J. M. Pearson. County Attorney Wallace Hughston and assistant Geo Brown, Abernathy & Beverly and Abernathy & Mangum were the prosecuting attorneys the four times the case was tried in Collin county, and the four latter named gentlemen were ably assisted by County Attorney Truett of Grayson county in the last trial at Sherman.

For Rent

Good 50 acre farm in good state of cultivation with house and good water, for $3.25 an acre in advance.

DOGGETT & CLIFTON,
Lawyers and Land Agents,
McKinney, Texas.

Christian ladies bazaar, Friday, December 19. Will begin serving oysters at 12 o'clock.

Y.M.C.A. BOARD ORGANIZE

Met at the Association Rooms Last Night

THFRE WAS FULL ATTENDANCE

Decided to Have an Entertainment Christmas Night. Committee Appointed

The new Board of Directors of the Y. M. C. A. met at the rooms last night, every member being present except one. They organized with the following officers:

J. L. Greer, President.

Byron A. Bowers, Vice President.

Edwin B. Doggett, Recording Secretary.

Titus Keen, Treasurer.

The meeting was full of enthusiasm.

A motion was made and adopted, unanimously, that Adams Calhoun be elected secretary of the association and his salary be fixed at $900 per year.

Prof. T. W. Lanham, J. H. Sneed and T. F. Mangum were appointed to secure a building for the association.

It was decided to have an entertainment on Christmas night and J. A. McDurmitt was appointed chairman of an arrangement committee to be selected by himself. The ladies will be asked to lend their assistance in every way possible.

State Secretary W. M. Lewis met with the board and gave them many practical suggestions. His counsel in the reorganization of the Y. M. C. A. has been wise and far seeing, and much of the success is due to him.

The Board will meet again Saturday night.

JENKINS & McCLELLAN,
Attorneys-at-Law,
Real-Estate Agents.
McKinney. Texas.

Collin County Gleanings.

Items From Adjacent Towns, Villages and Communities of a General Interest.

CLIMAX

Climax, Dec. 13.—Our school is moving along nicely with E C Forbes as principal and Mrs. Lillie Clark as assistant.

Messrs Ham and Bud Box will soon leave us for the Territory. We regret to lose them.

Jim Norman was in Farmersville last Sunday at the bedside of his sister who died on that date.

Mr and Mrs J M Lindsey of Liberty community visited their daughter Mrs Forbes this week.

The firm of Smart & Richardson of this place are closing out their stock of goods at cost, preparity to quitting business.

There will be preaching at the school house Sunday by Rev King of Westminster if the weather will permit.

Cotton picking is once more the order of the day in this community.

Hazel Eyes.

BIGGERS

Biggers, Dec. 12.—Our little village is moving along in peace and happiness.

Kendall & Stiff, the merchants of Biggers are closing out.

Bill Odle is contemplating a move to the Indian Territory where he will make his home.

A mad dog bit a calf and a mule of J. D. Riley. It then attacked Mr. Riley's son but did not hurt the boy.

The dog attacked his owner and inflicted such a severe wound that he had the mad stone applied to it.

Dr Bridgefarmer and wife will start to the old country on the 17th to spend Christmas with home folks.

Tho roads are almost impassable.

Mrs Branch Odle, wife of Jack Odle of Denison, died on Dec 7th and was buried the 8th at Milligan grave yard. The deceased was a sister to Sam Barnes and Bill Barnes of this community.

Miss Lizzie Monroe and little brother Sammie visited their uncle B T Morgan of Culleoka Saturday night and Sunday.

We are all boping for a merry Christmas and a happy new year.

PRINCETON

Princeton, Dec. 16.—Moving is the order of the day.

T B Dalton and family of Pittsburg Texas, moved here last week.

W A Harrelson and family are occupying their new home in the eastern part of our town.

P F Hale and family of Champbliss have moved to their home recently purchased from W A Harrelson. We welcome them into our midst.

Miss Virgie Campbell was in McKinney Friday shopping.

Miss Winnie Teel of Elmont is visiting her aunt Mrs J W Hale.

Jordan A Massie who is teaching in the public school of Anna visited relatives here Saturday night and Sunday.

Rev Edwards, our new Methodist pastor, and wife arrived Friday afternoon. They are boarding at Dr J C Greer's.

S O Miller's house in the southern part of town is about complet ed.

Flora,

NEW LIFE

New Life, Dec. 15 —The sun is once more sending forth its bright and welcome beams and our people who have the blues will soon be wearing smiles again.

Grandpa Stroup, of Verona, is visiting his son W J Stroup here.

Wm Hall of Midway has moved to this community.

Prof Leigh was a pleasant visitor to this community the first of the week.

Prof W D Cameron is attending the McKinney Business College.

Little Jewel Allen of Farmersville is visiting her sister Mrs Chas King.

Our school in charge of Miss Laura Read is very small yet, as several transferred and also owing to the almost impassable condition of the roads.

The pupils of the school enjoyed a spelling match Friday eve.

Evangeline.

CELINA.

Celina, Dec. 11th.—The continued rains have put the roads in this section in a very bad shape

Quite a number of our citizens have been caught without wood. Wood was in demand in Celina at $5.00 per cord during the snow storm.

Mrs. John Bell and daughter of Ft Worth returned home Sunday from a visit to Mrs R H Prior.

Miss Berthie Horne of Ft Worth visited Miss Correnne Zimmerman last Saturday.

Miss Sennie Ballard of Sherman has a large music class here, also another in Prosper.

A. J. Roller sold out his interest in his grocery store last week to Frand Burrus and father. Mr Burrus moved from Cook county to Celina last week.

J M Drake bought A J Roller's house and lot last week.

Jno Malone and Green King were visitors of the Celina school this week.

Mr Overton moved with his family to Jones county, Texas, last week.

Prof W L Yarbrough has, by experimenting, discovered the secret of preserving eggs through the hot season. He put up eggs at the 1st of July and opened the case at the last of October and found the eggs as fresh as they were when put up.

Some of our merchants are selling goods at cost in order to get ready for their new stock of goods.

Our citizens have made some very much needed improvements in the way of sidewalks.

Dr Mitchell returned from Blue Ridge Thursday where he attended the bed side and death of his sister.

Browder.

DESERT

Desert, Dec. 11.—We are having some rainy weather now.

There is no complaint of green bugs in this part of the country yet.

Prof McAlister has postponed his singing school on account of the rains.

H O Lance made a business trip to Whitewright Monday.

Mr McAfee is all smiles—it is a baby girl.

P D Akins (under the title of Lot) has moved from Desert to Blue Ridge but Sodom (Desert) is not burned yet.

Robert Walker left Wednesday for his home in Cooke county.

Cross Roads school is progressing nicely under the management of Prof Webb.

Oasis.

CELINA

Celina, Dec. 16.—Onr people have had a poor chance for pasturing the stock on their wheat this year, on account of rain.

Work is progressing very rapidly on the new bricks in spite of the rain and mud.

Celina has a grand display of Christmas goods on hand for the the little folks.

Michel Moore fell while wrestling with Abe Perry and broke his left leg between the knee and ankle.

J. M. Malone's little girl is sick with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Short visited her mother in Sherman this week.

If the weather will permit there will be a Christmas tree at Union church Christmas eve.

Miss Ima Malone has been on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Weems moved here from Sherman Thursday.

Bon Bounds bought a farm near Tioga Friday and will move from Celina to it during January.

Miss Bessie Hale, Celina's accomplished elocution teacher recited before the school Friday, which was highly entertaining and enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Dr. Wiley of McKinney visited Mr. and Mrs. Greenberry Adams last week.

One of our boys [illegible] took quite an expensive ride on the train Saturday. He rode about 50 yards and jumped off to the tune of $14.00. Our officers are on the look out, boys go slow.

Theo Yarbrough killed three ducks at one shot, on the wing Saturday. Who can beat that?

Our people will spend Christmas picking cotton if the weather is favorable.

Browder.

BRANCH

Branch, Dec. 17th.—A fresh apple blossom was plucked from a tree in T. C. Oakley's orchard.

The second crop of pears have matured in F B Martin's orchard. The first crop weighed 1 pound apiece, this crop one-fourth.

Alex Wilburn, who has been very sick for some time, is a little better at present.

R. F. Oakley and wife and J. L Oakley and family of Dryden, Va., have moved here to stay.

Several Branch boys went to Clear Lake Saturday.

J J Hall and J P Wethington went to McKinney Friday. They hauled 2 bales of cotton for Mr Hall.

John Pittman and family of Biggers are visiting his brother-in-law, Henry Dunn, and family here.

H B Dunn killed a beef Saturday.

Marguerita.

WESTMINSTER

Westminster, Dec. 17.—Profs Thompson and Rosser have bought Mrs Lawlis' property.

Prof Thompson will build a new residence some time in the near future.

J R Saye has moved to his new home in Fannin county.

Mr Greer has moved into the Saye residence.

A F Watkins has bought Ellis Bills' property.

Sid Watkins has bought Mr Shirley's house and lot.

Rev Foster and family are in town but are not located yet.

Mr Wilder is going into the poultry business.

Rev Christian, the pastor of the M P church for the coming year, spent last week here looking after the interest of the church and held the first quarterly conference Saturday evening.

Walker Ellis of Georgia is visiting at Prof Rosser's.

A Giles was sick last week but is able to attend to business again.

Marvin Giles is attending singing school at Cannon now.

The holidays will soon be here but owing to so much rain and mud there have not been much preparation made for them

Wanted—all the largest girls to attend the box supper Friday night at the college.

Bernadine.

TRINITY

Trinity, Dec. 17.—Grover Aldred has the slow fever.

J W Orenduff is making some splendid improvements on his residence.

George Young has moved into our community.

Roy Jordan who has been working in Denison has returned home.

Frank Boone left Wednesday for Haskell county where he will reside in the future. His family will remain here until the 1st of January

The little two-year-old son of Mr and Mrs Tolly Cave, who was burned to death last Friday night was buried in the Orenduff grave yard Sunday morning. They have the sympathy of the entire community

Blue Bird.

CLIFFT SCHOOL HOUSE.

Clifft School House, Dec. 14 — "Buck" Bryan is working in the rail road shops at Denison.

One of Ed Geren's little boys has been sick.

Allen Lovell took the "Cotton Belt" last night for his old home in Arkansas where he will spend Christmas and New Year.

John Graham loaded his house hold goods on a car recently and left for Wilson county where he will make his home.

Owing to the change in the course of Bear creek pupils living west of the creek have not been able to get to school.

One of Mr Grisham's mules bogged up in the mud a short time ago and it took several men some little time to get him out.

Most of the farmers have some cotton in the field and they are very anxious for fair weather so they can gather it.

Mr Edwards rented his farm to Walter Rhodes and moved to Van Zandt county and bought him a farm.

Miss Ollie Leeper of Lavon visited Miss Minnie Lovell one night recently.

If it rains much more our mail carrier can not possibly make the trip.

LITTLE CREEK.

Little Creek, Dec. 16.—Dan Brock of Ft Worth is here attending the bedside of his mother who is very ill.

E H Blair is able to be out again after a spell of sickness.

Born to Mr and Mrs Emerson a boy.

T J Mott was in McKinney several days last week on business.

Miss Daisy Thompson and sister Miss Effie who are visiting here from Tenn., visited their brother Ira at Tyler recently.

R L Brown of Lavon passed through our vicinity Thursday, going to Rockwall to attend court.

Joe Russell has a new comer at his home—it's a boy.

On the account of so much rain Rev J A Held of McKinney did not get to fill his appointment here Sunday evening.

Frank Moore and family arrived here last week from Miss. Mr Moore expects to make his home here. We welcome him to our "Lone Star State."

John Stimson and daughter Myrtle have returned to their home in Scurry county after a few days visit here among relatives.

Little Bess.

FONCINE.

Foncine, Dec, 16.—Mr Fisher and family have moved to Frisco where he is in business.

Mr Roberts and family are visiting in McKinney.

Clarence Golden of Cook county is in on a visit.

Bese Hand spent last Wednesday in Frisco.

Bush Herndon and wife of Coleman county have moved to his father's place where he will live next year.

Ed Taylor of Prosper spent last week in Foncine.

William Allen was visiting in the Vineland neighborhood last week.

Will Golden is spending a few days visiting in Weston.

Miss Provence who is teaching the Rowlet school will spend this week in McKinney. School will be dismissed on account of unfavorable weather until Monday Dec. 29.

Charles Griffin of Rock Hill was visiting in our neighborhood last week.

John Cruse of Foncine went to see his sister last week living near Garland who was very sick but some better when he came home.

Jim Golden spent last Sunday at Mr Singleton's.

Ben Herndon spent a few days visiting here last week.

Charley Allen visited his sister Mrs Graves and family last week.

Bob Cunningham was visiting at Rhea Mill last week.

There was no preaching at Foncine last first Sunday on account of bad weather.

Frisco

FAYBURG

Fayburg, Dec 16.—Chas Phy has returned from a trip to Pittsburg.

H B Blankenship will leave Wednesday for his old home in Hardin county, Tenn.

J W Jones, Misses Sadie Evans, Nora McDonald and a number of others, attended the singing at Snow Hill Saturday night.

Lewis Boggy of Humphrey Ark is visiting relatives at this place.

W T Driggers shipped 1500 lbs of poultry to Dallas Friday. He and S R Marsh accompanied them.

J S Jones of Harrison Oklahoma has been visiting relatives here two weeks.

G W Ellis served on the jury at McKinney last week.

J Bratcher and H B Blankenship attended the Masonic Lodge at Blue Ridge Saturday night.

Uncle Pillip Hawkins says since he attended Judge Wilcox's court that he has decided to draw his interest out of Squire Beckham's bank and invest it in railroads.

Prof D W Leigh was in our midst last Friday, soliciting for your valuable paper.

J W Sanderson is all smiles. You see a new plow boy has been stopping with him since last week.

J J Harp, Thomas Biggs and Lev Biggs all chartered a car in which to carry their household goods and stock and left last Tuesday for Pittsburg in Camp county where they will make their future home.

C D Jeffcoat returned Friday from a prospecting trip in Clay and Jack counties.

Jacob.

CULLEOKA

Culleoka, Dec. 16th.—Chas Holliway moved to town last Monday week. He occupies the house that was vacated by W I Brown.

Jno McGraw and wife visited friends and relatives in Wylie last week.

Misses Oakley and Calton of Branch were over shopping in Culleoka last Tuesday.

S J Dicken of Brashear, Hopkins Co., was among friends here last week.

Bob Bounds our barber is visiting relatives in Henderson Co.

G W Crowder and Miss Lillie Patton of this place were married in McKinney the 9, Eld Jno McKinney officiating.

Jack Aycock of Princeton came down on bnsiness last Thursday.

J E Geer, Clear Lake's noted blacksmith, was on our streets last week.

Mrs E C Dodson of this place has gone to Georgia where she will spend the Christmas with her father and mother.

T. A. Ezell of Carlsbad N M was in town last week trading and selling horses.

Rev Jimmie Chapman the Holiness Evangelist preached for us last Wednesday and Thursday night.

The people of Culleoka community held a mass meeting last Saturday night and organized a Literary Society. They will meet again Tuesday night the 23. A grand time is anticipated.

Fido.

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East Collin News

Farmersville Times.

Mrs H. M. Peak received the sad intelligence of the death of a cousin, a little girl of some 6 years old, at Knoxville, Tenn. The child was going about a bath when its clothing caught fire, burning it to death.

The infant babe of Jim Wylie and wife died at their home southwest of town Sunday night and its remains were laid to rest in the McMinn Chapel cemetery Monday. We sympathize with the bereaved in this hour of sorrow.

Rev, Paul Kimzey came in Thursday from Silver City, N. M., accompanied by his sistes, Miss Banner, who has been at his bedside. His brother, J. H. Kimzey, met them at Dallas. The many friends of Rev. Kimzey will regret that he is seriously ill. He is now at his home south of town.

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A PANIC IN CARACAS

British and German Residents flee to the American Legation

VENEZUELANS ARE AROUSED

Priests at Houses of Worship Urge Loyalty to Castro and University Students Enroll

Special Cablegram to Dallas News.

Caracas, Venezuela, Dec. 14.—Herbert Bowen, the United States Minister, had to resort to extraordinary measures today to allay a panic among the German and English residents who remain in Caracas. Rumors of a contemplated attack upon them by mobs of indignant Venezuelans took definite shape during last night and early today. The Germans and English to the number of 114 hastened to Mr. Bowen at 6 o'clock this morning and claimed protection of the United States Minister as the sole representative ad interim of German and British sovereignty. The refugees were much excited and many of them, who had only recently been released from arrest on Mr. Bowen's intercession with President Castro, were in fear of their lives. As the available space in the interior of the United States legation building was too limited to afford domicile to all the fugitives, Mr. Bowen hastily reopened the abandoned British legation, hung above it the United States flag. He placed in charge there William K. Russell, secretary of the United States legation, and then crowded into the building as many of the frightened Englishmen as the place would accommodate.

During the day the British legation building was provided with cots and bountifully stored with flour, sugar, coffee and other provisions. Many of the refugees will doubtless prefer to remain there, rather than expose themselves to possible risk in the streets. In the United States legation building, where Minister Bowen remains in personal charge similar precautions have been taken. Improvised barracks have been established in all the available rooms and the place has been stocked with sufficient stores, provisions and supplies to withstand a considerable siege. In case of emergency Mr. Bowen will receive as many of the Germans as possible under the protection of the main United States legation building.

A Cold Wave

The forecast of sudden changes in the weather serves notice that a hoarse voice and a heavy cough may invade the sancity of health in your own home. Cautious people have a bottle of One Minute Cough Cure always at hand, E H Wise, Madison, Ga., writes: "I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my present good health, and probably my life." It cures coughs, colds, lagrippe, bronchitis, pneumonia and all throat and lung troubles. One Minute Cough Cure cuts the phlegm, draws out the inflammation, heals and soothes the mucous membranes and strengthens the lungs.—City Drug Store.

English and Spanish Print

R. C. Knott gave us a copy of a late issue of the San Juan (Porto Rico) News he had just received from his son, Horace Knott, who is serving in the United States Army at that place. The paper prints each item in both English and Spanish. Horace greatly enjoys the Porto Rican climate.

What's in a Name?

Everything is in the name when it comes to Witch Hazel Salve. E C DeWitt & Co of Chicago, discovered, some years ago, how to make a salve from Witch Hazel that is a specific for piles. For blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, eczema, cuts, burns bruises and all skin diseases DeWitt's salve has no equal. This has given rise to numerous worthless counterfeits. Ask for DeWitt's—the genuine—City Drug Store.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bertrand went to Sherman Friday morning for a short visit.

E W Grove

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Y. M. C. A. TO CONTINUE

So Decided at Meeting Held at Hall Thursday Night

COMPLETE REORGANIZATION

Will Be Made, Committee Has Drawn Up Plans for Future Work. New Features

At the members meeting of the Young Mens Christian Association held Thursday, a full and frank discussion of the work was entered into.

State Secretary W. M. Lewis of Waco was present, and gave many useful suggestions.

In studying the work done it was found that in many points the association had signally failed to live up to its opportunity and had left undone many lines of work usually carried on by like organizations, and therefore had failed to commend itself to the people of McKinney in any marked degree.

The physical work has overbalanced all other branches so that the educational, social and spiritual work has been almost obscured. After a free discussion the following motion was offered and unanimously adopted:

It being the opinion of this gathering that the Y. M. C. A. work be continued, be it

Resolved that the President appoint a committee to see each member of the association, getting his opinion as to the continuance of the work and the amount he will give to assure such continuance and that this committee be given authority to formulate definite plans for future work.

Committeemen are: J. A. McDurmitt, J. P. Crouch, Mate Barnett, Prof. Lanham, J. Frank Smith, Edwin Doggett, Byron Bowers, Erfurt Provence, J. M. McLemore, Fred Heard, Earl Dowlen and Douglass Marley.

The committee is to do its work today and tomorrow, and report at a meeting to be held at the First Presbyterian church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The committee met at 9 o'clock this morning at Crouch-Saigling Co's store and decided upon the following plan for the association

1. That a complete reorganization shall be made. (a) A new Board of Directors chosen. (b) The appointment of Association Committees as called for by the constitution. (c) The selection of a new General Secretary to give his whole time to the work in place of Mr. Colhoun, who has resigned.

2. The broadening of all lines of work carried on by the association as follows: 1. Physical work (a) The formation of classes in the gymnasium for systematic body building for boys, young men and business men. The regular graded system of work to be adopted. (b) Repairs on the bath plant so the room can be properly heated in cold weather. (c) The addition of a first class double bowling alley and other additional attractions. (d) The formation of bowling, basket ball and hand ball teams and indoor base ball nines. 2. Educational. (a) additions to library and reading room. (b) Appointment of committee on educational work. (c) The formation of night educational classes for youth and young men, in commercial and literary studies. (d) The organization of literary, debating or current topic clubs, and the formation of a congress or city council for training in good citizenship. (e) The institution of a series of practical talks to young men, these bearing along the line of business and professional advice. (f) A first-class star course of entertainments, to be given the citizens of McKinney at a nominal cost.

3. Social work. (a) The appointment of a competent committee to have this work in charge. (b) At stated times, at the association building, the holding of high class social entertainments for the people of the city. (c) Carrying out special social entertainments for men only. (d) The improvement of the rooms by adding additional games. (e) The formation of chess, checker, dominoe, ping-pong and other social game contests. (f) The social atmosphere about the building to be improved upon by members of the reception committee being more often in attendance at the rooms

4. Religious. (a) The building up of the mens Sunday Gospel service by better advertising, music, speakers, etc. (b) The formation of Bible classes for training men as active, personal christian workers. (c) The formation of a personal work club. (d) Holding meetings with male prisoners in city prison and county jail when the way is clear. (e) The holding of a mixed union service once a quarter where the full work being done by the association will be presented to the people, that they may keep in touch with the work of the assosiation. (f) The same line of work which is carried on for men, to be organized and carried on for boys.

5. Miscellaneous. (a) The keeping constantly before the people of McKinney the work being done by the association—this to be accomplished by newspaper articles, printed reports, etc. (b) The better business management of the affairs of the association.

Deep regret was expressed by members of the committee at the resignation of Mr. Colhoun and he was strongly urged to remain, but as he had fully planned to leave he reluctantly refused to continue as General Secretary.

Each member of the committee feels that this plan of work cannot help but commend itself to the people of McKinney, and with this in view they will go before them and ask for sufficient money to place the work upon a sound business basis.

For a New Parsonage.

T. C. Goodner, J. H. Ferguson, John R. Brown and A. G. Chandler closed a deal Friday eve in which the vacant lot 90x100 feet adjoining the Methodist church lot on the west, was transferred to them to be held for the church for the purpose of building a new parsonage on it.

The consideration was $600. Fred Emerson, from whom the lot was purchased, donated $50 of the amount and R. L. Waddill $50.

An order was made at the quarterly conference several months ago, empowering the Board of Trustees to sell the old parsonage.

The securing of this lot for a new parsonage is indeed a great thing for the church, and the liberality of the four men who consummated the transaction, and Messrs Emerson and Waddill for their donations, deserve great commendation.

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Sapulpa, I. T., Aug. 20, 1902.

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BEN. D. SCHOEN.

Fredericktown, July 12, 1902.

PROF. T. B. GOING:—I suffered for thirty years from heart disease, dyspepsia, diarrhœa, rheumatism, neuralgia, nervous prostration, granulated eyes. Two years ago I was so nervous a little mouse crossing my room shocked my whole system. I took a few personal treatments and four months' absent treatment from you. The result was my complete restoration to health and vigor.

MRS. M. SEABAUGH.

Greenville, Mo., March 1, 1902.

DEAR BRO. GOING:—I thought you had been treating me much stronger than usual. I felt your vibrations decidedly greater. You may stop your treatments. I think it unnecessary to continue them. I am over the aches and pains that troubled me. You are a success as a healer. I can testify to it.

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"A little nonsense now and then
Is relished by the best of men."

A California physician who discovered a new disease—love madness—has been experimenting with the person afflicted therewith and has produced the "love parasite," or bacillus micrococcus. This he cultivated up to the twentieth generation, and with the parasites of that generation he inoculated a number of subjects. The inoculation was invariably successful, symptoms of the disease appearing a very short time after the operation. A bachelor, aged 50, on the first day after the inoculation, had his whiskers dyed, ordered a new suit of clothes and a set of false teeth, bought a top buggy, a bottle of hair restorer, a diamond ring and a guitar, and began reading Byron's poems.

The inoculation produced symptoms of the same nature in a young lady of 45. She spent $ at a drug store for cosmetics, bought a lot of new hair, and a croquet set; sang "Empty is the Cradle," sent out invitations for a party, and complained that the Chico young men do not go in society. An inoculated youth of 17, employed in a country store, did up a gallon of molasses in a paper bag, and also, in a fit of absent-mindedness, put a cat in a butter tub and threw some fresh butter out the window. Finally he sat in a basket of eggs while looking at the photograph of a pretty girl, and was discharged for his carelessness. The Chico doctor is still experimenting, and will soon lay the result of his observations before the medical world.

Mrs. McCarty Moore of McKinney is here at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Carroll Bush, who is quite sick.—Van Alstyne News.